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The undersigned requests that the present international application be processed according to the Patent Cooperation Treaty. Applicant's or agent's file reference (if desired) (12 characters maximum) A3232.WO194 Box No. I TITLE OF INVENTION A system and a method for manufacturing containers, in particular for preserving food products Box No. II APPLICANT This person is also inventor Name and address: (Family name followed by given name: for a legal entity, full official designation. The address must include postal code and name of country. The country of the address indicated in this Box is the applicant's State (that is, country) of residence if no State of residence is indicated below.) Telephone No. Facsimile No. AZIONARIA COSTRUZIONI MACCHINE AUTOMATICHE A.C.M.A. S.p.A. Teleprinter No. Via Cristoforo Colombo, 1 40131 BOLOGNA Applicant's registration No. with the Office ITALY State (that is, country) of nationality: State (that is, country) of residence: ITALY ITALY This person is applicant all designated States all designated States except the United States of America the United States of America only the States indicated in the Supplemental Box for the purposes of: Box No. III FURTHER APPLICANT(S) AND/OR (FURTHER) INVENTOR(S) Name and address: (Family name followed by given name; for a legal entity, full official designation. The address must include postal code and name of country. The country of the address indicated in this Box is the applicant's State (that is, country) of residence if no State of residence is indicated below.) This person is: applicant only **BOLDRINI** Fulvio Via Zerbinati, 11 X applicant and inventor 44100 FERRARA inventor only (If this check-box is marked, do not fill in below.) ITALY Applicant's registration No. with the Office State (that is, country) of nationality: State (that is, country) of residence: ITALY ITALY This person is applicant all designated. States all designated States except the United States of America the United States of America only the States indicated in the Supplemental Box for the purposes of: Further applicants and/or (further) inventors are indicated on a continuation sheet. Box No. IV AGENT OR COMMON REPRESENTATIVE; OR ADDRESS FOR CORRESPONDENCE The person identified below is hereby/has been appointed to act on behalf of the applicant(s) before the competent International Authorities as: common representative agent Name and address: (Family name followed by given name; for a legal entity, full official designation.

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